

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

Amendment to Registration Statement**Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended**

INSTRUCTIONS. File this amendment form for any changes to a registration. Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic amendment to registration statement and uploading any supporting documents at <https://www.fara.gov>.

Privacy Act Statement. The filing of this document is required for the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, for the purposes of registration under the Act and public disclosure. Provision of the information requested is mandatory, and failure to provide the information is subject to the penalty and enforcement provisions established in Section 8 of the Act. Every registration statement, short form registration statement, supplemental statement, exhibit, amendment, copy of informational materials or other document or information filed with the Attorney General under this Act is a public record open to public examination, inspection and copying during the posted business hours of the Registration Unit in Washington, DC. Statements are also available online at the Registration Unit's webpage: <https://www.fara.gov>. One copy of every such document, other than informational materials, is automatically provided to the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, and copies of any and all documents are routinely made available to other agencies, departments and Congress pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Act. The Attorney General also transmits a semi-annual report to Congress on the administration of the Act which lists the names of all agents registered under the Act and the foreign principals they represent. This report is available to the public in print and online at: <https://www.fara.gov>.

Public Reporting Burden. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.5 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to Chief, Registration Unit, Counterintelligence and Export Control Section, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530; and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

1. Name of Registrant	2. Registration No.
Mercury Public Affairs, LLC	6170

3. This amendment is filed to accomplish the following indicated purpose or purposes:

- ☐ To give a 10-day notice of change in information as required by Section 2(b) of the Act.
- ☐ To correct a deficiency in
- ☐ Initial Statement
- ☐ Supplemental Statement for the period ending _____
- ☐ Other purpose (*specify*) _____
- ☒ To give notice of change in an exhibit previously filed.

4. If this amendment requires the filing of a document or documents, please list:

Registrant is filing a revised Exhibit A.

5. Each item checked above must be explained below in full detail together with, where appropriate, specific reference to and identity of the item in the registration statement to which it pertains. (*If space is insufficient, a full insert page must be used.*)

Registrant is filing a revised Exhibit A in connection with its registered foreign principal, the Turkey-U.S. Business Council (TAK), to reflect changes in the engagement.

EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to the truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Print or type name under each signature or provide electronic signature¹)

August 13, 2020

/s/ Leonardo Dosoretz

eSigned

¹ This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

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Exhibit A to Registration Statement**Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended**

INSTRUCTIONS. Furnish this exhibit for EACH foreign principal listed in an initial statement and for EACH additional foreign principal acquired subsequently. The filing of this document requires the payment of a filing fee as set forth in Rule (d)(1), 28 C.F.R. § 5.5(d)(1). Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic Exhibit A form at <https://www.fara.gov>.

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1. Name and Address of Registrant

Mercury Public Affairs, LLC

2. Registration No.

6170

3. Name of Foreign Principal

Turkey-U.S. Business Council (TALK)

4. Principal Address of Foreign Principal

River Plaza Buyukdere Cd. Bahar Sk. No: 13/10 34394 Levent/IST
Turkey

5. Indicate whether your foreign principal is one of the following:

☐ Government of a foreign country¹☐ Foreign political party☒ Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:☐ Partnership☐ Committee☐ Corporation☐ Voluntary group☒ Association☐ Other (*specify*) _____☐ Individual-State nationality _____

6. If the foreign principal is a foreign government, state:

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals

7. If the foreign principal is a foreign political party, state:

a) Principal address

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals

c) Principal aim

¹ "Government of a foreign country," as defined in Section 1(e) of the Act, includes any person or group of persons exercising sovereign de facto or de jure political jurisdiction over any country, other than the United States, or over any part of such country, and includes any subdivision of any such group and any group or agency to which such sovereign de facto or de jure authority or functions are directly or indirectly delegated. Such term shall include any faction or body of insurgents within a country assuming to exercise governmental authority whether such faction or body of insurgents has or has not been recognized by the United States.

8. If the foreign principal is not a foreign government or a foreign political party:

a) State the nature of the business or activity of this foreign principal.

The principal consists of private member companies that have business ties with the U.S. The principal creates platforms that strengthen economic relations between Turkey and the U.S. by organizing conferences, summits, and dinners, and preparing briefings, summaries, and other literature.

b) Is this foreign principal:

Supervised by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

9. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 8(b). *(If additional space is needed, a full insert page must be used.)*

The principal consists of private member companies that have business ties with the U.S. Principal operates under the Foreign Economic Relations Board of Turkey (DEIK), which in turn operates indirectly under the auspices of the Turkish Ministry of Trade (MOT). While the MOT maintains some limited oversight authority over DEIK to ensure its continuity of operations, registrant has been informed that the Turkish government does not finance, control, or direct the activities of DEIK, or in turn, those of principal. DEIK's interactions with principal are limited to providing logistical support, similar to the support provided to approximately 142 other business councils. Due to overlapping priorities, registrant's work may be supervised or directed by, or coordinated with DEIK representatives and administration representatives, and may inure to their benefit. Registrant is separately registered for work performed on behalf of the Turkish government and reports accordingly. In addition to the foregoing explanation, the contract is fully-financed by the principal and registrant understands the principal to be a non-governmental entity. Despite these facts, registrant has filed this registration in an abundance of caution.

10. If the foreign principal is an organization and is not owned or controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party or other foreign principal, state who owns and controls it.

The principal consists of private member companies that have business ties with the U.S. Principal operates under the Foreign Economic Relations Board of Turkey (DEIK), which in turn operates indirectly under the auspices of the Turkish Ministry of Trade (MOT). While the MOT maintains some limited oversight authority over DEIK to ensure its continuity of operations, registrant has been informed that the Turkish government does not finance, control, or direct the activities of DEIK, or in turn, those of principal.

EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this Exhibit A to the registration statement and that he/she is familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

Date of Exhibit A	Name and Title	Signature
August 13, 2020	Leonardo Dosoretz, Counsel	/s/ Leonardo Dosoretz eSigned